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Volunteers put the finishing touches on a Black Lives Matter mural along Colfax Avenue, in front of Benton Harbor High School on Saturday.

'More than just paint'

BH community rallies around BLM street mural

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — When Lou Harvey moved to Benton Harbor 55 years ago, Black people didn't live on Colfax Avenue.

"Most of the Black people at that time stayed on Miller Street and on Townline, and they were always in two groups. No one was spread out all over town like it is now. Colfax — no way," he said Sunday.

Now Colfax Avenue, between Empire Avenue and Clay Street, will have a permanent reminder that Black people belong in the community.

"Black Lives Matter" was painted in giant letters down the street by a group of volunteers Saturday and unveiled to the community during a ceremony Sunday.

During the ceremony, Benton Harbor Mayor Marcus Muhammad declared Aug. 9, 2020, Lou Harvey



Alexandra Newman / HP photo

Lou Harvey, a former Benton Harbor Area Schools coach and teacher, was honored Sunday for his contribution to the community. It was proclaimed Lou Harvey Day and Colfax Avenue, between Clay Street and Empire Avenue, were named Lou Harvey Way.

Day in the city, and that section of the street, Coach Lou Harvey Way.

Harvey was the third Black teacher ever hired at Benton Harbor Area Schools, where he went on to coach and teach for 47 years.

He said his teachers growing up would tell him that something would be named after him one day.

"I thought it'd be a bathroom, or a toilet, or a hall-

way, or something like that," he said. "But it turned out to be true."

He said he was very thankful for the honors, and that the community needs to keep fighting for equality.

"Because Black lives do matter and I've been realizing that for a long time," Harvey said. "We seem like we're on the right track now, we just can't get distracted and get off of it.

We just got to maintain the course. We have a nice school system. I can see it getting better and better."

Benton Harbor Area Schools Superintendent Andrae Townsel said Sunday that change will happen.

"We're going to be in a constant flux of getting better," he said. "We're going to set the bar, meet the bar, then raise the bar."

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ST. JOSEPH

Public seems divided over BLM mural proposal

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — St. Joseph commissioners got what they asked for when gauging the public Monday night about whether the city should allow a Black Lives Matter street mural to be painted on Stadium Drive next to St. Joseph High School.

The range of opinions in the virtual meeting wavered from showing solidarity between Benton Harbor and St. Joseph, to shying away from a mural due to the amount of controversial attention the movement has picked up nationally.

While no decision was made as to whether the city would move forward with the mural, the two-hour public discussion culminated in Mayor Mike Garey announcing commissioners would meet with City Attorney Laurie Schmidt regarding the legal authority for painting a street.

"Next Monday night, prior to the social justice meeting, we will have a closed-door meeting regarding Laurie's research," Garey said. "This is a legal process so we are not hiding anything. It gives the commission all the information we need to make the correct decision."

The suggestion that a Black Lives Matter mural be considered for a street in St. Joseph, in parallel with a mural that was painted to Colfax Avenue in Benton Harbor, came at a July 20 social justice meeting.

Among the first citizens to speak Monday was Mike Gillette, who had already gone on record opposing the mural because of what he had heard about the Black Lives Matter movement. Gillette said the mural is also not needed because it's not the Twin Cities area that has any problems.

"I'm not racist at all, but Black Lives Matter is a racist group. If you paint this mural, you are supporting a Marxist agenda," Gillette said. "It's a dangerous path because look at what happened in Chicago last night. I'm open to any other suggestions."

June Bowman, another city resident, said she is in favor of the mural, having attended the first peace rally in Benton Harbor.

"It is difficult having these conversations, but you do have to do some self-reflection," Bowman said.

During public comment, Vikki Wade said she opposes the mural, citing the ongoing turmoil in the country.

"There's so much negativity. What are we opening ourselves up to? Are we going to let someone put something else into the street?" she said. "St. Joe has always been good about keeping things the way it is. I just don't think it is something we should get involved in."

Chokwe Pitchford, a Democratic candidate for the 79th District state rep. seat in November, said he wants to see more solidarity between the Twin Cities. "History is going to judge all of us. What did we do during one of the most tumultuous times in America?" he asked commissioners. "Society has to stand up for those that need to be stood up for. Black lives are in danger whether through gun violence, police brutality or the education system."

A St. Joseph resident who lives in the neighborhood surrounding the high school said she opposes the mural due to the polarization of the movement. She offered that an alternative slogan be used for a mural, such as "Twin Cities Strong."

Several high school students called into the virtual meeting, with the majority favoring a BLM mural.

Samuel Adkins, a student at St. Joseph High School, said there is a need to

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Schools mull outdoor classes amid virus, ventilation worries

By TERRY SPENCER
Associated Press

It has been seven years since the central air conditioning system worked at the New York City middle school where Lisa Fitzgerald O'Connor teaches. As a new school year approaches amid the coronavirus pandemic, she and her colleagues are threatening not to return unless it's repaired.

Her classroom has a window air conditioning unit, but she fears the stagnant air will increase the chances that an infected student could spread the virus.

"Window units just aren't going to cut it. We don't want to stay cool, we just want the air to flow properly," said O'Connor, a science teacher who has worked at the Patria Mirabal School in Man-

hattan since 2009. "We are really super stressed out about it."

Schools around the country are facing similar problems as they plan or contemplate reopening this fall, dealing with aging air conditioning, heating and circulation systems that don't work well or at all because maintenance and replacement were deferred due to tight budgets. Concerns about school infrastructure are adding momentum to plans in some districts, even in colder climates, to take classes outdoors for the sake of student and teacher health.

Nationwide, an estimated 41 percent of school districts need to update or replace their heating, ventilation and cooling systems in at least half their schools, according to a federal report issued in June.

Rep. Bobby Scott, D-Va., chairman of the House Education committee, called on the federal government to help districts improve their systems, saying the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention calling ventilation an important part of coronavirus spread at schools.

"Ventilation is key and you don't fix that for free," Scott said.

There is no evidence that the disease can spread through ventilation systems from one classroom to the next, according to Dr. Edward Nardell, a Harvard Medical School professor who specializes in airborne diseases. The danger, Nardell said, is from ineffective systems that don't remove floating viruses and let them linger

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Library of Congress via AP

Schoolchildren on the ferry boat Rutherford, across the river from Manhattan, and near the Brooklyn Bridge, at right, in New York in 1911. Poor ventilation in school buildings across the U.S. will limit the ability of in-person instruction to resume safely. Some districts are warming to the idea of outdoor classrooms.

No federal relief leaves states, cities facing big deficits

By GEOFF MULVIHILL
Associated Press

State and local government officials across the U.S. have been on edge for months about how to keep basic services running while covering rising costs related to the coronavirus outbreak as tax revenue plummeted.

It's now clear that anxiety will last a lot longer. Congressional talks over another coronavirus relief package have failed, with no immediate prospects for a restart.

The negotiation meltdown raises the prospect of more layoffs and furloughs of government workers and cuts to health care, social services, infrastructure and other core programs. Lack of money to boost school safety measures also will make it harder for districts to send kids back to the classroom.

On Monday, governors, lawmakers, mayors, teachers and others said they were going to keep pushing members of Congress to revive talks on another rescue package.

"Congress and the White House made a commitment to the governors that there would be a second round of relief for states — we are going to hold their feet to the fire until they uphold that commitment," New Hampshire Gov. Chris Sununu, a Republican, said in a statement.

How soon that might happen is anyone's guess. Congress has gone home, and President Donald Trump over the weekend took executive

action to address what had been a key part of the negotiations. He extended an extra benefit for the jobless but cut it by a third — to \$400 a week — and told states they would have to pick up 25 percent of the cost.

New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy, a Democrat, urged Congress to restart negotiations, boost the jobless benefit back to \$600 and immediately provide more aid to state and local governments.

"Let's be clear about something: States are going broke and millions of Americans are unemployed, yet the solution called for states to create a new program we cannot afford and don't know how to administer because of this uncertainty," he said.

Stay-at-home orders in the spring, business shutdowns and tight restrictions on businesses that have reopened are slamming state and local government revenue. In a June report, Moody's Analytics found that states would need an additional \$312 billion to balance their budgets over the next two years while local governments would need close to \$200 billion.

Many states already are staring at ledgers of red ink. Texas is projecting a \$4.6 billion deficit. In Pennsylvania, it's \$6 billion. In Washington, the deficit is expected to be nearly \$9 billion through 2023. California's budget includes more than \$11 billion in cuts to colleges and universities, the court system, housing programs and state worker salaries.

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Sunday's event hosted numerous speakers, including city commissioners, area pastors and musicians.

A special guest at the event was Gwen Carr, the mother of Eric Garner, who was killed in 2014 when New York City police officers used an illegal chokehold to restrain him. His last words, "I can't breathe," have become a rallying cry for racial justice.

Carr called the weekend's events in Benton Harbor necessary and needed.

"We talk about Black Lives Matter, but we can't just talk about it like a hashtag. We have to mean it. It must be a statement that we feel and we embrace," she said.

Carr said when her son was killed, she decided to turn her mourning into a movement. She said people need to stand up and speak out, even when it's uncomfortable.

"America has made us uncomfortable, so we have to make them uncomfortable. We have to keep marching. They say, enough is enough. No, it's not going to be enough until we get justice, and justice is not free," she said.

Carr said the Black Lives Matter movement is about making awareness that there's a problem.

"We have to go from demonstration to legislation, because all the marching in the world is not going to get laws changed," she said. "We have to vote and pay attention to who is at the table. If we're not at the table, we're on the menu."

Pastor Carlton Lynch, of Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, in introducing Carr, announced he's bringing a chapter of the National Action Network to Benton Harbor.

"If you're going to fight injustice, you can't fight it by yourself," he said.

Lynch called the Black Lives Matter mural "more



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Ashalyn Crayton, 2, of Benton Harbor, adds her handprint to the Black Lives Matter mural in Benton Harbor.



Alexandra Newman / HP photo

Gwen Carr, the mother of Eric Garner who died at the hands of New York City police officers in 2014, spoke Sunday at the unveiling of the Black Lives Matter mural in Benton Harbor.

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GWEN CARR

matter, we understand that, but today, we're in support of Black lives."

Young said she was just overwhelmed and overjoyed to see those words on the street.

"This is just one step forward. It's the beginning. It's a long road ahead, but at least, right now, we're doing something, and we're coming together in support of one another," she said.

Amy Underwood brought her daughter Esme to help paint the mural on Saturday.

"I wanted her to know there's more to our community, and that we can be a small part in it," Underwood said.

Esme was one of many community members and volunteers who got to put their handprints on the B, L and M in the mural.

Bowens said he included this detail because, "Hand in hand, together we can."

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LOTTERIES

Monday drawings

Michigan
Lucky For Life
04-05-16-19-37, Lucky Ball: 1
Poker Lotto
6C-9C-6D-5H-9H
Midday Daily 3
8-1-2
Midday Daily 4
5-1-9-0
Daily 3
3-4-9
Daily 4
0-5-0-1
Fantasy 5
04-13-26-33-35
Keno
02-06-12-13-14-22-26-27-39-45-50-56-58-61-64-66-67-72-75-77-78-79
Mega Millions jackpot
\$24 million

Powerball jackpot

\$169 million

Sunday drawings

Indiana
Cash 5
01-13-27-30-38
Estimated jackpot
\$125,000
Cash4Life
05-13-14-26-59, Cash Ball: 2
Quick Draw Midday
04-05-12-17-20-22-25-30-36-44-47-49-50-56-57-62-63-65-77-79, BE: 5
Daily Three-Midday
4-4-5, SB: 5
Daily Three-Evening
3-6-4, SB: 2
Daily Four-Midday
5-8-1-9, SB: 5
Daily Four-Evening
0-9-7-5, SB: 2

Quick Draw Evening
02-07-10-15-22-23-25-26-28-32-33-35-47-50-52-58-69-78-79-80, BE: 28

Sunday drawings

Illinois
LuckyDay Lotto Midday
05-19-29-41-45
Estimated jackpot
\$300,000
Pick Three-Midday
8-2-4, Fireball: 7
Pick Three-Evening
4-9-7, Fireball: 9
Pick Four-Midday
9-7-3-5, Fireball: 7
Pick Four-Evening
7-0-6-7, Fireball: 8
Lucky Day Lotto
02-20-24-38-42

— The Associated Press

PROPOSAL

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promote diversity — especially in the classroom.

"Having it so close to the school would promote that well," he said. "One thing that shocked me when I moved here was the lack of diversity. There's an extreme amount of division among the bridges."

Commissioner Laura Goos said she had spoken with St. Joseph School Board President Barry Conybeare about what the city is considering.

However, she said no action would be taken without having further discussions with Principal Greg Blomgren, Superintendent Thomas Bruce and other city officials. Goos said no sit-down meeting has been set, as school officials have been busy working on a back-to-school plan.

Afterward, commissioners offered their thoughts on the matter.

Commissioner Peggy Getty said one of the common themes she has heard from residents leading up to the meeting was about St. Joseph remaining a "nice, quiet community" and the desire to "avoid rocking the boat."

"When I think about that, I understand where people are coming from, but that's also why we are in the position we are in now," Getty said.

Commissioner Lynn Todman said she was disturbed by the amount of coded language from some of the public at Monday's meeting, which included phrases like "silent majority," "I got a lot of black friends" and "quiet neighborhood."

"At one point or another, Martin Luther King Jr. was called a communist and a Marxist. I'm not sure how I feel about this whole conversation," Todman said. "I wonder if people will feel the same way looking back on this 10 to 15 years from now."

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The South Haven High School's drum line is shown rehearsing as part of last week's summer band camp. From left are Emma Parker, Lars Larsen, Sydney Barnes, Romy Ransom, Ellie Frost and Phillip Kerber.

And the band played on

By **BECKY KARK**
For The Herald-Palladium

SOUTH HAVEN — With so many summertime event and activities canceled this year due to the coronavirus pandemic, it came as a surprise at the start of August to hear the sound of a drum cadence.

It occurred each morning, echoing throughout town.

Could it be the South Haven High School Purple Pride marching band conducting its annual band camp, even amid the pandemic?

As it turns out, yes.

But it was a very different kind of band camp.

Gone were the food feasts students enjoyed after long days spent memorizing music and marching routines. Also missing were the games they played during breaks, and the biggest blow of all, the highlight students looked forward to every year — the giant water fight that signaled the end of the weeklong camp.

Senior Garrett Smith, one of the Purple Pride marching band's two drum majors this year, remembers those previous camps with fondness.

"We'd go inside and eat like kings," he reminisced. "We'd do a lot more games ... and the water fight."

In pre-pandemic times, band camp lasted eight hours each day during the first week of August. Students spent the morning indoors rehearsing music and the afternoon learning marching routines.

This year, band students spent mornings outdoors rehearsing either in sections or as a group.

"We couldn't rehearse inside as a group," Smith said, due to coronavirus restrictions on the number of people assembled in one room.

Band camp also only lasted four hours each day rather than eight, because students weren't allowed to learn a marching routine this year due to social distancing restrictions.

"We are not marching, just standing still," Smith said.

When football fans see the Purple Pride band perform this year, they will see a



Baritone player Ryan Peterson performs a solo during the South Haven High School marching band's rehearsal of Aerosmith's "Dream On." As part of restrictions to curb the spread of the coronavirus, all of the band's wind instrument players are required to use cloth bell coverings to reduce any water droplets that come out of their instruments.

group that looks much different from bands of the past.

"We will not be using uniforms this year, as we cannot follow distancing and contact restrictions while fitting," Band Director Jeff Bopp said. "Students were given a band T-shirt and we will use that as our uniform for performances."

Other changes will also occur.

"Students have to keep at least a 6-foot distance, and wear masks when they are not playing," Bopp went on to say. "In addition, each wind player was given a fabric bell cover to reduce any droplets that come out of the instrument. Students are not allowed to share any equipment. For this reason, special time and care was given to planning percussion instruments and color guard flags so that students do not have to exchange equipment at any time. We also screen every student before practice for any illness symptoms."

Yet, even with all the changes that the pandemic has brought, many of the band's 100 members were eager to be at camp this year doing what they love to do — making music.

"We all miss meeting together," Smith said. "I was really worried whether we would have band this year. It's good we can have a little



Drum major Garrett Smith directs the band during a rehearsal last Friday. Band members are required to wear masks (when not playing an instrument) and social distance while performing.

bit of something."

Not all band students showed up for the weeklong camp, however.

"We have approximately 15 percent of the band that chose not to attend band activities at this time due to COVID-19, but they still are and do plan to be a part of the band this year," Bopp said. "If a student chooses to do virtual learning from home this fall, they will still have the option to participate in band and music remotely. The details of what that will look like are still being refined."

The pandemic even played a role in the selection of music for this year's show — "Pinball Wizard" by the

Who, "Dream On" by Aerosmith a percussion feature called "Apex," and the highly popular song from Frozen 2, "Into the Unknown."

"The 2020 production is entitled 'Dream On,'" Bopp said. "When the pandemic first started, I knew we would need a show to give us a sense of hope and unity. To dream is to have an aspiration, an ambition, to strive for and ideal. It is a hope for a better tomorrow, a better future, a better world. What better way to go into the 2020 school year than with a reminder that while we may have to wait for the pandemic to subside, our dreams and our goals give us the hope for a better tomorrow."

Watervliet schools to serve free breakfast, lunch for four years

By **ALEXANDRA NEWMAN**
HP Staff Writer

WATERVLIET — Watervliet Public Schools students will continue to have access to free breakfast and lunch every day for the next four years.

The school board approved continuing the district's participation in the federal Community Eligibility Provision program Monday night.

Food Services Manager Terry Adams said the program proved to be successful last school year and was a benefit for the district's students and families.

She said during the COVID-19 pandemic, families were hit by job loss and other hardships that increased the amount of free and reduced lunch-qualifying students from about 76 percent to about 84 percent.

Adams said this increase will help the district get more revenue through the federal program.

Superintendent Ric Seager said having this program already in place when the pandemic hit was a blessing. The district was able to serve more than 140,000 meals to students across the district.

Also Monday night, Seager gave a brief update on the district's Return to Learn Plan. He said about 68 percent of the district's families have made decisions on what option they want.

About 67 percent of respondents said they would like their students to attend school in-person; about 23 percent want to do remote learning, where they will have an assigned teacher but learn from home; and about 9 percent want to attend school entirely online.

Seager said the district's principals would hold open forums Tuesday to answer questions for families that still haven't made a decision.

The secondary school principals will be available from 3 to 4:30 p.m. and the elementary principals will be available from 4:45 to 6:15 p.m.

Seager said links to the forums will be posted on the district's social media pages.

In other business, Trustee Andy Dehaven submitted his resignation, effective Aug. 4, due to an increased workload at his job. His seat is up for election in November.

IN BRIEF

2 motorcyclists hospitalized after crash

CASSOPOLIS — Cass County Sheriff's deputies responded to a motorcycle crash on Marcellus Highway near Finch Road on Saturday.

The crash occurred in Marcellus Township, shortly after 9 p.m.

Emergency responders were called to the scene after Three Rivers resident Christopher Hoepfner, 21, pulled out of a driveway onto Marcellus Highway in front of a motorcyclist traveling westbound.

Dowagiac resident Olivia Hines, 25, and Marcellus resident Jordan Hawkins, 28, were traveling westbound when they collided into Hoepfner's pickup truck, ejecting them from the motorcycle.

Hawkins and Hines were transported by ambulance and Aircare to Borgess Hospital in Kalamazoo for treatment. Police said Hoepfner was wearing a seatbelt and alcohol was determined not to be a factor in the crash. Police said helmets were not worn by Hawkins or Hines.

The crash remains under investigation.

Deer takes down motorcyclist

CASSOPOLIS — A Niles resident was found injured Sunday following a motorcycle crash.

According to the Cass County Sheriff's Office, responders found 67-year-old Michal Rannels near Indian Lake Road and Smith Lake

Street in Pokagon Township.

Police said Rannels was traveling northbound on Indian Lake Road. Rannels told police that a deer had run out in front of him and caused him to lose control of his motorcycle.

Rannels and the motorcycle came to a stop off the roadway when a passerby assisted with getting the bike off of Rannels. He was transported to Lakeland Niles Hospital for minor injuries.

Police said Rannels was wearing a helmet and protective gear. Police said alcohol and drugs do not appear to be a factor.

Weekend COVID-19 update

Berrien County added 28 new COVID-19 cases over the weekend, while adding 24 recoveries. No new deaths were recorded.

To compare, the county added 24 new cases and 18 new recoveries last weekend.

With deaths and recoveries, the county is at about 103 active cases, up from 99 on Friday and up from 94 last Monday.

Spectrum Health Lakeland was treating 12 COVID-19 patients as of Monday morning, down from 13 on Friday and up from 10 last Monday.

Van Buren County added 13 new COVID-19 cases over the weekend, while Cass County added nine. No new deaths were recorded in either county.

For more local COVID-19 data and information, visit www.bchdmi.org/COVID19, or www.vbcassdhd.org/covid-19/.

Dark-sky spots for watching the Perseid meteor shower this week

By **EMILY BINGHAM**
mlive.com

For stargazers, mid-August is one of the most magical times of the year. That's when the annual Perseid meteor shower occurs, a celestial show that, on its peak nights, has 50 to 100 meteors streaking across the sky each hour — and sometimes even fireballs.

This year, the Perseid spectacle will peak on the nights of August 11 and 12. Getting a really great view of the meteor shower is part luck, part

determination: You'll need the clouds to cooperate by giving us clear skies, but you can also increase your chances of seeing more meteors by putting yourself somewhere far away from light pollution.

The following spots guarantee you'll see something truly spectacular.

Headlands International Dark Sky Park

In 2011, this park at the tip of Michigan's mitten became one of the first 10 places on

the planet to earn the title "international dark sky park." Open 24 hours a day, no admission charge; peak visitation hours are typically right before sunset up until midnight.

DR.T.K. Lawless International Dark Sky Park

Just this year, this 860-acre park in Southwest Michigan became the second internationally designated dark-sky park in the state.

For the 2020 Perseid event,

the park will be open late on the 11th and 12th, until 1 a.m. the following morning. Admission will be \$2 per vehicle for in-county residents, \$3 per vehicle for out of county residents.

Michigan's state park dark-sky preserves

Michigan has six state parks with designated dark-sky preserves that give visitors the opportunity to revel in the night sky past normal park operating hours. Just know

that a state park Recreation Passport is required for entry, and that camping is only allowed at the park's designated campgrounds.

Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore

Shoreline is always a good bet for observing celestial events, because it affords an unobstructed view of the night sky. And there's few better spots in Lower Peninsula for finding long stretches of shoreline than Sleeping

Bear Dunes. A park pass is required for entry.

Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore

Speaking of shoreline, Pictured Rocks has some 40 miles of it along Lake Superior — plus the park's Upper Peninsula location between Munising and Grand Marais means the stars have very little artificial light to contend with, pretty much no matter where you are. No entrance fee.

Stafford says he didn't give much thought to opting out of season

DETROIT (AP) — Matthew Stafford says he didn't give much thought to opting out of this coming season.

It would have been understandable if he'd considered it.

"I think like everybody, you hear it and you talk with your spouse and your family about it. I never gave it serious, you know, thought," Stafford said Tuesday. "I want to play football. I want to be out here. I have a supporting wife and family that know I love doing what I do and know it's important to me, so they were right on board."

Stafford and his family have dealt with their share of stress over the past couple of years. His wife had surgery last year to remove a brain tumor. Then Stafford went through football-related injuries that halted his 2019 season. His status was

momentarily uncertain again recently when he was put on the reserve/COVID-19 list Aug. 1. He was removed three days later, with the Lions saying it was a false positive.

Stafford's wife Kelly expressed her frustration on Instagram, suggesting that information such as that shouldn't be released until it's absolutely certain the person has COVID-19. Shortly after that, the NFL's chief medical officer said the league was establishing a new protocol for positive tests.

"It's totally unknown times for all of us. The league, the players, coaches, the organization as a whole," Stafford said. "Everything is new and it's unknown. I know everybody's doing the best that they possibly can."

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INDIAN LAKE HILLS
MISSING LINKS (EAST, Aug. 3) — Low gross: L. Kotarba 36, J. Ankrapp 39. Low net — L. Kotarba 30, K. Bailey 30, B. Cheek 30, L. Kittleson 30, E. Gillette 31.
MISSING LINKS (WEST, Aug. 10) — Low gross: T. Landis 38, B. Swanson 38, L. Kotarba 40, G. Owen 40. Low net: T. Griffin 31, L. Kittleson 33, T. Landis 33.

MLB

American League East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	10	6	.625	
Tampa Bay	9	8	.529	1½
Baltimore	7	7	.500	2
Toronto	5	8	.385	3½
Boston	6	10	.375	4
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	11	6	.647	
Detroit	9	5	.643	½
Cleveland	10	7	.588	1
Chicago	8	9	.471	3
Kansas City	7	10	.412	4
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	12	5	.706	
Houston	7	9	.438	4½
Texas	6	9	.400	5
Seattle	7	11	.389	5½
Los Angeles	6	11	.353	6

Monday's Games
Detroit 5, Chicago White Sox 1
Minnesota 4, Milwaukee 2
Tampa Bay 8, Boston 7
Houston 6, San Francisco 4
Seattle 10, Texas 2
L.A. Angels 10, Oakland 9

Tuesday's Games
Miami at Toronto
Kansas City at Cincinnati
Atlanta at N.Y. Yankees
Baltimore at Philadelphia
Chicago Cubs at Cleveland
Chicago White Sox at Detroit
Tampa Bay at Boston
Minnesota at Milwaukee
Seattle at Texas
San Francisco at Houston
Oakland at L.A. Angels

Wednesday's Games
Chicago White Sox (Cease 2-1) at Detroit (Boyd 0-1), 1:10 p.m.
Oakland (Bassitt 1-0) at L.A. Angels (Canning 0-2), 4:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 2-1) at Cleveland (Carrasco 2-1), 6:10 p.m.
Miami (Yamamoto 0-0) at Toronto (Pearson 0-0), 6:37 p.m.
Kansas City (Keller 1-0) at Cincinnati (Miley 0-1), 6:40 p.m.
Atlanta (Wright 0-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 0-1), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (LeBlanc 1-0) at Philadelphia (Eflin 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Maeda 2-0) at Milwaukee (Lauer 0-1), 7:10 p.m.

National League Glimpse

East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	7	3	.700	—
Atlanta	11	7	.611	—
Philadelphia	5	6	.455	2½
Washington	5	7	.417	3
New York	7	10	.412	3½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	10	3	.769	—
St. Louis	2	3	.400	4
Cincinnati	7	9	.438	4½
Milwaukee	6	8	.429	4½
Pittsburgh	3	13	.188	8½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Colorado	11	5	.688	—
Los Angeles	11	6	.647	½
San Diego	10	7	.588	1½
Arizona	7	10	.412	4½
San Francisco	7	11	.389	5

Monday's Games
Philadelphia 13, Atlanta 8
Washington 16, N.Y. Mets 4
Minnesota 4, Milwaukee 2
Houston 6, San Francisco 4
Arizona 12, Colorado 8
San Diego 2, L.A. Dodgers 1
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, ppd.

Tuesday's Games
Miami at Toronto
Kansas City at Cincinnati
Atlanta at N.Y. Yankees
Baltimore at Philadelphia
Chicago Cubs at Cleveland
Washington at N.Y. Mets
Minnesota at Milwaukee
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, ppd.
Arizona at Colorado
San Francisco at Houston
San Diego at L.A. Dodgers

Wednesday's Games
Pittsburgh (TBD) at St. Louis (TBD), ppd.
Arizona (Weaver 0-3) at Colorado (Senzatela 3-0), 3:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 2-1) at Cleveland (Carrasco 2-1), 6:10 p.m.
Miami (Yamamoto 0-0) at Toronto (Pearson 0-0), 6:37 p.m.
Kansas City (Keller 1-0) at Cincinnati (Miley 0-1), 6:40 p.m.
Atlanta (Wright 0-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 0-1), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (LeBlanc 1-0) at Philadelphia (Eflin 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Maeda 2-0) at Milwaukee (Lauer 0-1), 7:10 p.m.
San Francisco (TBD) at Houston (Greinke 0-0), 7:10 p.m.
Washington (Sánchez 0-2) at N.Y. Mets (TBD), 7:10 p.m.
San Diego (Davies 2-1) at L.A. Dodgers (Urrías 1-0), 9:40 p.m.

Big Ten, Pac-12 pull plug on fall football amid pandemic

By RALPH D. RUSSO
AP College Football Writer

The Big Ten and Pac-12 called off their fall football seasons on Tuesday because of concerns about COVID-19, taking two of college football's five power conferences out of a crumbling season.

Five months after the first spikes in coronavirus cases in the U.S. led to the cancellation of the NCAA basketball tournament, the still raging pandemic has begun tearing down a sport that generates billion of dollars for the schools that compete in it. Despite pleas from players, coaches and President Donald Trump in recent days to play on, 40 percent of major college football teams have now decided to punt on a fall season.

The Big Ten's announcement, that it was postponing all fall sports and hoping to make them up in the second semester, came first Tuesday afternoon. An hour later the Pac-12, the Big Ten's Rose Bowl partner, called a news conference to say that all sports in its conference would be paused until Jan. 1, including basketball.

"This was an extremely difficult and painful decision that we know will have important impacts on our student-athletes, coaches, administrators and our fans," Pac-12 Commissioner Larry Scott said. "We know nothing will ease that."

The Atlantic Coast Conference, Big 12 and Southeastern Conference are still moving forward with plans to conduct a season as college football's lack of centralized leadership has left every conference to decide for itself.

The Big Ten's announcement came six days after the conference that includes historic programs such as Ohio State, Michigan, Nebraska and Penn State had released a revised conference-only football schedule that it hoped would help it navigate a fall



Charles Rex Arbogast / AP
Big Ten Conference Commissioner Kevin Warren speaks at a news conference in 2019.

season with potential COVID-19 disruptions.

The decision was monumental but not a surprise. Speculation has run rampant for several days that the Big Ten was moving toward this decision. On Monday, coaches throughout the Big Ten tried to push back the tide, publicly pleading for more time and threatening to look elsewhere for games this fall.

"The mental and physical health and welfare of our student-athletes has been at the center of every decision we have made regarding the ability to proceed forward," Big Ten Commissioner Kevin Warren said in a statement. "As time progressed and after hours of discussion with our Big Ten Task Force for Emerging Infectious Diseases and the Big Ten Sports Medicine Committee, it became abundantly clear that there was too much uncertainty regarding potential medical risks to allow our student-athletes to compete this fall."

Warren took over as commissioner from Jim Delany at the start of this year. A former longtime executive in the NFL, Warren walked into an unprecedented problem for college sports.

During an interview on the Big Ten Network, Warren was pressed on whether the decision was unanimous across the conferences and if Big Ten teams could still try to play a fall season, as some coaches suggested Monday. Warren declined to answer.

"We are very disappointed in the decision by the Big Ten Conference to postpone the fall football season, as we have been and continue to be ready to play," University of Nebraska leadership said in a statement.

Ohio State athletic director Gene Smith said the Buckeyes would have preferred to play.

"I wish we would have had a little more time to evaluate," Smith told the Big Ten Network.

Indians keeping Clevinger, Plesac away after violations

By TOM WITHERS
Associated Press

CLEVELAND — The Cleveland Indians went a step further than just putting Mike Clevinger and Zach Plesac into quarantine.

They've been sent away from the team, and it's not known when they'll be back.

Cleveland placed the two starting pitchers on the restricted list after the right-handers broke team rules and Major League Baseball protocols by leaving their hotel in Chicago last weekend and risking exposure to the COVID-19 virus.

"This one kind of hurts," said Indians manager Terry Francona, who returned Tuesday from a week away to address a lingering medical issue to find his team dealing with an internal situation that could affect its season.

"We'll deal with it like we always do," Francona added. "We care about each other. It doesn't mean you don't get disappointed with each other or even mad at each other sometimes. But what I care about is making it better."

Clevinger and Plesac went out Saturday night with a group of people following

the Indians' win over the White Sox. The team had implemented a code of conduct for players to follow on road trips, forbidding them from socializing outside of the team's players and staff.

Once they learned about Plesac going out, the Indians immediately got him car service to drive him to Cleveland. But the team was not aware Clevinger had been with him until after he flew back to Ohio with his teammates, coaches and other personnel.

Team president Chris Antonetti did not divulge any details of how the team

learned about Clevinger's indiscretion. Antonetti said he has spoken with Clevinger and that the free-spirited 29-year-old understands he violated team rules.

They can't be 100 percent certain, but the Indians don't believe Plesac or Clevinger came in contact with anyone who has the virus. Both players will be tested Wednesday and the team will consult with medical experts based on those results.

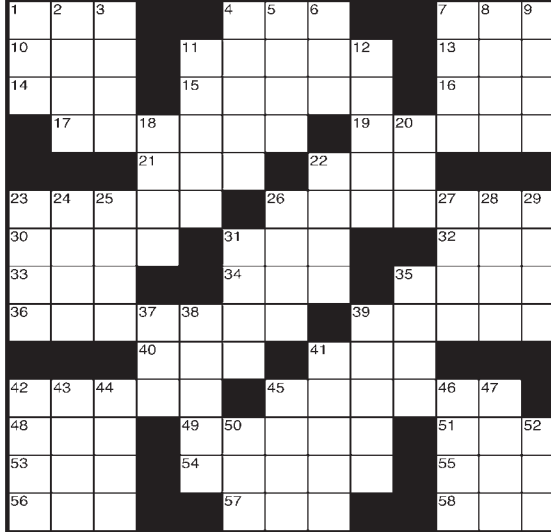
Antonetti said the decision to put them on the restricted list was not mandatory, but the Indians felt it was appropriate given their actions.

CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 "The X-Files" org.
 - 4 Ottoman title
 - 7 Make a note
 - 10 — Cruces, N.M.
 - 11 "The Lamb" poet
 - 13 Poetic pug
 - 14 Literary collection
 - 15 Unwind
 - 16 Moving option
 - 17 Whirl around
 - 19 Irritate
 - 21 Eggs
 - 22 Valentine mo.
 - 23 Not deserved
 - 26 Featured musician
 - 30 Amazing act
 - 31 Moo goo — pan
 - 32 Yes, to
 - 33 Breakfast grain
 - 34 Website addr.

- 35 Curb flipper
- 36 Burger Stage
- 40 Kennel sound
- 41 Aussie jumper
- 42 Excessive
- 45 Cheap and showy
- 48 Midwest st.
- 49 Sizable
- 51 Longbow wood
- 53 Successful candidates
- 54 Villain's smile
- 55 — dis- advantage
- 56 Lid
- 57 Actor
- 58 Veto

- DOWN**
- 1 Spring training loc.
 - 2 Slam
 - 3 Do as —!
 - 4 Comic strip queen
 - 5 Squall
 - 6 Alias letters
 - 7 Island near Borneo



JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

MIRGE

THHUC

SWRULA

TOSEOH

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They're making progress.

We should be on the other side today.

THEY STARTED WORK ON THE MOUNTAIN TUNNEL AND WOULD WORK UNTIL THEY ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: FENCE LARVA ROTARY SUBMIT
Answer: The deacon introduced herself to the church's minister by saying — AT YOUR SERVICE

BRIDGE

Mohandas K. Gandhi said, "Earth provides enough to satisfy every man's need but not for every man's greed."

That applies to this deal. If declarer tries for an over-trick, he should go down. How should South play in four spades after West leads the heart jack?

Playing Standard American, not two-over-one, if North had rebid three spades, not four, would it have been forcing? I think it should be. If you agree, then responder with 10-12 support points and only three spades should make an immediate limit raise. Discuss it with your partner.

If declarer has two trump losers, he has only nine winners: three spades, three hearts, two diamonds and

North 08-10-20
♠ 9 8 7
♥ K 6
♦ A K 5
♣ A 10 7 6 3

West
♠ A J 6 4
♥ J 10 9 4
♦ Q 10 2
♣ Q J

East
♠ 3
♥ 8 7 3 2
♦ 9 6 4 3
♣ K 8 5 2

South
♠ K Q 10 5 2
♥ A Q 5
♦ J 8 7
♣ 9 4

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Both

South West North East
1♠ Pass 2♠ Pass
2NT Pass 4♠ All Pass

Opening lead: ♥ J

for West's spade six. Similarly, if South ducks the club queen, East overtakes immediately and leads the 13th diamond. Whatever declarer does (if he ruffs low, West discards the club jack), West must win two more trump tricks.

KAKURO

Difficulty Level ★

8/10

How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.

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SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★☆☆☆☆

	2	3		4	6	8	9	
				8	3		2	1
	8			2	5	1		4
3	5			2				6
		1		7		5		
6				1			7	8
2			1	6	7		5	
4		5		9	2			
	1	9	5	8		6	2	

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

6	2	9	7	5	8	1	4	3
3	5	8	1	2	4	9	7	6
7	4	1	6	3	9	8	5	2
4	1	5	9	7	3	6	2	8
2	6	7	8	1	5	4	3	9
8	9	3	2	4	6	7	1	5
1	7	6	3	8	2	5	9	4
9	3	4	5	6	1	2	8	7
5	8	2	4	9	7	3	6	1

PRIME TIME TV

TUESDAY EVENING AUG. 11											
	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30				
ABC (7)(13)(41)(57)	Wheel of Fortune	Modern Family	Modern Family	black-ish	mixed-ish	What Would You Do?					
CBS (2)(3)(22)	Ent. Tonight	NCIS A Navy officer obtains a rare coin.		FBI "Studio Gangster"		FBI: Most Wanted "Predators"					
NBC (5)(8)(16)	Ac. Hollywood	America's Got Talent "Live Show 1" Eleven performers compete live. (N)			:01 World of Dance "The Semi-Finals 2"						
FOX (17)(22)(28)(32)	Modern Family	Hell's Kitchen "Trying to Pasta Test"		Prodigal Son Martin revisits his past.		Fox 17 News at 10:00PM (N)					
PBS (34)	Steves' Europe	American Experience Ronald Reagan, actor and president. (Part 2 of 2)			Frontline "Love, Life & the Virus" (N)						
CW (25)	Big Bang Theory	DC's Stargirl (F) (N)		Tell Me a Story "Chapter 3: Greed"		News	Seinfeld				
MNT (50)	Family Feud	Chicago P.D. "Erin's Mom"		Chicago P.D. "Don't Bury This Case"		Chicago P.D. "Don't Read the News"					
WCIU (26)	Mike & Molly	DC's Stargirl (F) (N)		Tell Me a Story "Chapter 3: Greed"		2 Broke Girls	2 Broke Girls				
WHME (46)	:00 Heartland	Heartland Ben avoids his aunts phone calls.		Highway to Heaven "A Song for Jason"		Nightly News					
WGN (9)	News	black-ish	black-ish	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	WGN News at Nine (N) (L)					
A&E	Storage Wars	What's It Worth?	What's It Worth?	What's It Worth?	What's It Worth?	Extreme Unboxing	Extreme Unboxing				
AMC	5:00 The Rock	*** Jurassic Park (93, Adventure) Sam Neill, Laura Dern. Cloned dinosaurs run amok at an island-jungle theme park.									
Animal	Bigfoot	Finding Bigfoot "Return of the Legend"				Finding Bigfoot					
BET	6:00 **	Stomp the Yard		Big Mommas: Like Father, Like Son							
Big Ten	Maryland	Maryland Football		Maryland Football		Unlocked					
Bravo	Million Dollar Listing LA	Million Dollar Listing Los Angeles		Million Dollar Listing Los Angeles (N)		Backyard Envy "Blurring the Lines"					
Cartoon	We Bare Bears	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	Rick	Rick				
Cinemax	Isn't It Romantic	** Bad Times at the El Royale (18, Suspense) Jeff Bridges, Cynthia Erivo, Jon Hamm.					The Apparition				
CMT	Last Man Standing	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom				
CNBC	Shark	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		The Profit					
CNN	OutFront	Anderson Cooper		Anderson Cooper		CNN Tonight					
Comedy	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office				
Discovery	Air Jaws: Ultimate	Extinct or Alive: Land of Lost Sharks		:01 Will Smith: Off the Deep End (N)		:02 Great White Serial Killer Extinction					
Disney	Sydney	Sydney	Coop	Coop	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Gabby				
DIY	Holmes	Mountaintop		Building Off the Grid		Building Off the Grid					
E!	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley				
ESPN	SportCtr	SportCtr	MLS Soccer Final -- Portland Timbers vs TBA.								
ESPN2	WNBA Basketball			WNBA Basketball: Liberty vs Sparks							
ESPN3	Baseball	MLB Baseball				MLB Baseball					
Food	Chopped	Chopped		Chopped (N)		Chopped Sweets (N)					
Fox News	The Story	Tucker Carlson		Hannity (N)		The Ingraham Angle					
Fox Sports	:00 MLB Baseball	Chicago White Sox at Detroit Tigers.									
Freeform	Miss Con. 2	*** The Blind Side (09) Sandra Bullock, Tim McGraw. A well-to-do white couple adopts a homeless black teen.									
FX	5:30 Spy (15)	* Baywatch (17) Dwayne Johnson. Elite lifeguards must save the beach from a crime wave.					Daddy's Home 2				
Golf	Lessons	Golf's Greatest Rounds (N)									
Hallmark	Fashionably Yours	Love on Harbor Island (20, Romance) Morgan Kohan, Marcus Rosner.				Golden Girls	Golden Girls				
HBO	:40 ** Midway (19, War) Ed Skrein. The U.S. Navy and fighter pilots battle Japanese forces.					Hard Knocks: Los Angeles (N)					
History	Secret	Secret History-W.H.		America's Book of Secrets: Special Edition							
HGTV	Bones	Good Bones (N)		Hunters Hunt Intl							
Learning	Counting	Counting On (N)		Counting On (N)		Doubling Down					
Lifetime	Rizzoli & Isles	Rizzoli & Isles		Rizzoli & Isles		:03 Rizzoli & Isles "Living Proof"					
MSNBC	ReidOut	All In With		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word					
MTV	Catfish	Siesta Key (N)		Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.				
NBCSCH	:00 MLB Baseball	Chicago White Sox at Detroit Tigers.									
NFL	NFL Total	NFL Football From Oct 13, 2019.									
Nick	Sponge.	Sponge.	Sponge.	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends				
NGEO	Lost	Lost Treasures		Lost Treasures		Ancient China From					
Oxygen	:00 Chicago P.D.	Chicago P.D. "An Honest Woman"		Chicago P.D. "Prison Ball"		Chicago P.D.					
Parmt	Two Men	** Four Brothers (05) Mark Wahlberg.					Bourne				
Showtime	Deliverance (72)	Ray Donovan "Irish Spring"		City on a Hill		We Hunt Together					
Starz	Pulp Fiction (94)	*** Zombieland: Double Tap (19) Woody Harrelson.			:42 ** Jumanji: The Next Level (19) Kevin Hart						
STZENC	6:44 ** First Knight (95, Adventure) Sean Connery.	** Perfect Stranger (07, Suspense) Halle Berry, Bruce Willis.			Halle Berry, Bruce Willis.						
SyFy	6:35 * Law Abiding Citizen (09, Suspense) Jamie Foxx.	* Gone in Sixty Seconds (00, Action) Nicolas Cage, Angelina Jolie.			Nicolas Cage, Angelina Jolie.						
TBS	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Celebrity Show-Off (N)					
TCM	Ocean's Eleven	** Anna Lucasta (58, Drama) Eartha Kitt.			:45 ** A Man Called Adam (66) Sammy Davis Jr.						
TMC	*** Hook (91) Dustin Hoffman. Lawyer turns into Peter Pan to save kids from Captain Hook.				*** The Birdcage (96)						
TNT	NBA Basketball			NBA Basketball: Pelicans vs Kings							
Travel	Ghost	Ghost Adventures "London Lockdown" (N)				Ghost Adventures					
TV Land	Andy G.	Raymond	Everybody Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond				
USA	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit					
VH1	6:30 **	Bad Boys II (03) Martin Lawrence.				Chappelle	Chappelle				
WGN-A	:00 *** Back to the Future (85) Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd.				*** Back to the Future Part II (89) Michael J. Fox.						

Law enforcement officer feels judged by some in the family

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have been together since we were 16, married for 25 years. Her parents took me in as a teenager, and her family has been my family ever since.

I'm the kind of person who loves everyone equally. I will bend over backward for someone in need and have done so for my wife's family many times.

Over the last few years, my wife's brother, nephew and niece have turned against me. They've called me controlling, hateful and racist. I am none of those. I am, though, a law enforcement officer and a Christian. My wife's brother is a convicted felon, and her niece went to one of those anti-everything colleges.

This has created a rift in the family and caused my wife and me to feel hated and isolated, which has ruined family gatherings and holidays. How can I fix this? What can I do to help them see me for who I am, instead of their biases based on my religion and occupation? — Really Not Like That

DEAR REALLY NOT: There is nothing you can or should do to erase their biases. From your descrip-

Jeanne Phillips
Dear Abby



tion, you have done enough good deeds for your in-laws to have shown them the kind of person you are.

You have mentioned only your brother-in-law the felon and his radicalized daughter. Where does the rest of the family stand on this? If they are joining in and allowing you to be isolated, quit trying to impress them. Instead, spend your time with people who like, understand and accept you for who you are and don't look back. Your brother-in-law and his kids will come looking for you as soon as they need something else from you, but when they do, I sincerely hope you'll resist the temptation to buy your way back in.

DEAR ABBY: I work closely with a woman who is 21 years younger than I. We are both single. Because of our age difference and professional relationship I am not looking to date her. However, over the last couple years I have developed romantic feelings for her.

I converse with her by asking questions about movies she likes, books she reads or what she did the previous weekend. Her answers are usually short and without elaboration. I even share with her things that I do in my life, but never once in the five years I have known her, has she ever initiated

a conversation with me or asked me about my life. She acts differently with other male co-workers. She does things for them, smiles at them and seems genuinely interested in their conversation. It really stings every time I see her socialize with others and ignore me. What can I do to get out of this psychological rut I am in? — Stuck In Illinois

DEAR STUCK: Your co-worker may have picked up on the fact that you are attracted to her and it is not reciprocated, which is why she keeps your relationship strictly formal and work-related. I am sure this stings, and for that you have my sympathy.

You now must do what everyone else in your situation does, which is concentrate on meeting women who are available. You are not going to find what you're looking for in your workplace. What's going on is not healthy for you or conducive to a productive work environment. If you can't quell that crush on her, you may have to change jobs so you won't have to work so closely with her — or at all.

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Tired of being friend's designated driver

Adapted from an online discussion.

DEAR CAROLYN: I just relocated to a new city, as did a college friend. She doesn't own a car, and since we're often at the same events, she will ask me for rides. I've agreed out of obligation a few times, and now I'm worried this is becoming a habit that will add up in gas expenses and time (i.e. driving out of my way when I have to get up early the next morning for work).

I can't figure out if I'm being totally selfish and should just suck it up and drive her, or if I'm right in feeling uncomfortable with the new status quo. As a non-confrontational people-pleaser, how do I tell her, "I can't drive you this time" when there's no real excuse? — Designated Driver?

Designated Driver?: No, it's not selfish to be uncomfortable with being taken for granted.

Please, when you have these doubts, do two things: 1. Acknowledge your history of conflict-avoidance; 2. Flip the sce-

nario: Is it selfish for the other person to expect you to go out of your way for her and pay all costs, without any say or compensation?

I hope it's clear you're not the "taker" in this exchange.

Not that your friend is necessarily doing anything wrong. She is asking — you can decline. Being able to see it that way — and to say "no" sometimes — is on you.

She should of course be offering gas money, and making it clear she's OK with your saying no. Since she's not making it easy for you, and since it's your limit that needs setting, you have to do the hard thing. Start saying "no" when you want to, and start a conversation about ground rules.

This, by the way, is the true way to please people. That's because if you keep running yourself ragged while silently resenting the imposition, then you will stop enjoying this friend's company — and she won't even have had a chance to fix things. If instead you're transparent about your limits, then you give your friend the choice to stay in your good graces.

RE: Driver: Another way to go about this is to ask for something else that she can help you with — if

you prefer not to ask for gas money, etc., or if that's more useful to you.

I also want to touch on the arc of friendship. I have a good friend I drove often for several years. He never offered anything. Fast-forward a couple of years and my father died. This friend put me on the plane, looked after my bird for two days, then drove from D.C. to Long Island — with the bird — and stayed for a week helping out and being an anchor for mum and me. This was why I never worried — there's an ebb and flow to our friendship. This might not be true with your friend, but it is sometimes there. — Anonymous

Anonymous: This is great, thanks.

And it reminds me of something I forgot to include: They're both relatively new to this city, right? So the carpooling could be a shot of social courage for the friend. If so, then the arrangement/problem/awkwardness might not be indefinite.

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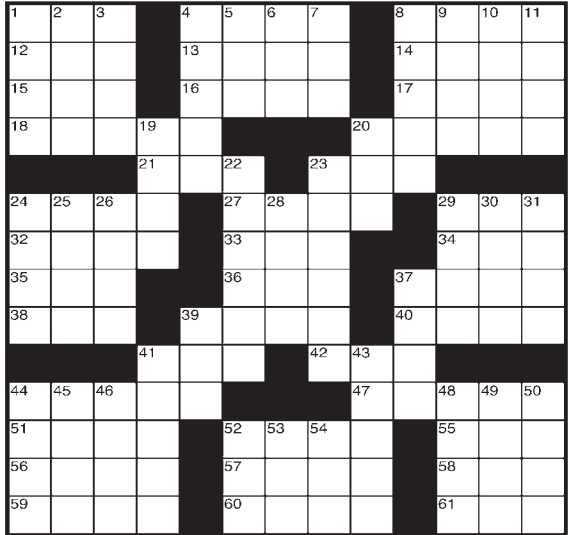
- ACROSS**
- 1 Taste tea
 - 4 Disclose
 - 8 Pantry items
 - 12 Shelley offering
 - 13 Pasternak woman
 - 14 Part of FYI
 - 15 Meadow
 - 16 Like — of bricks
 - 17 4th-down option
 - 18 Organic compound
 - 20 — nova
 - 21 French pal
 - 23 1040 org.
 - 24 Louts
 - 27 Senora
 - 29 Swerve
 - 32 Miffed
 - 33 NFL gains
 - 34 Go wrong
 - 35 "Cry — River"
 - 36 Falsehood
 - 37 Moolah
 - 38 Foxy
 - 39 Novelist — Waugh
 - 40 Taconite yield
 - 41 Big rigs' radios

- 42 Ski lift
 - 44 Sponge features
 - 47 Assisted
 - 51 Bad sign
 - 52 Lantern part
 - 55 River, to Juan
 - 56 Biting fly
 - 57 Dull throb
 - 58 Mineral deposit
 - 59 Van Gogh's medium
 - 60 Harness part
 - 61 Part of mph
- DOWN**
- 1 Shoe bottom
 - 2 Dangerous March date
 - 3 Potting medium
 - 4 Make frightened
 - 5 Big tub
 - 6 Gonzalez's gold
 - 7 Sickly pale
 - 8 Publisher's glitches
 - 9 Promissory notes

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 10 Cloister dwellers
- 11 Young lady of Sp.
- 19 Compass heading
- 20 Lingerie buy
- 22 Flirtations
- 23 Bug
- 24 Units of resistance
- 25 Ayla's creator
- 26 Wear at the edges
- 28 Fat cat's victim
- 29 12 months
- 30 Woody's son
- 31 Songbird
- 37 Fruit or bird
- 39 Pecs' partners
- 41 Loose change
- 43 Bucket of song
- 44 Comic strip
- 45 possum
- 46 Old Dodge model
- 46 Sincere
- 48 Plummet
- 49 Ireland
- 50 Go-getter
- 52 Armed conflict
- 53 Finish the cupcakes
- 54 22nd Greek letter



JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

- GABYG
- NMISU
- GRUFIE
- NPETTO

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Yesterday's Jumbles: GRIME HUTCH WALRUS SOOTHE
Answer: They started work on the mountain tunnel and would work until they — WERE THROUGH

BRIDGE

Gerard Manley Hopkins was a highly regarded 19th-century poet, but none of his poems was published during his lifetime. These two lines from "That Nature is a Heraclitean Fire" have some relevance to today's deal: "This Jack, joke, poor potsherd, patch, matchwood, immortal diamond / Is immortal diamond."

In the auction, South's three diamonds was a help-suit game-try, announcing game-invitational values and asking for assistance in diamonds. North, with a maximum hand, three good trumps and the beneficial diamond king, was quick to jump to game.

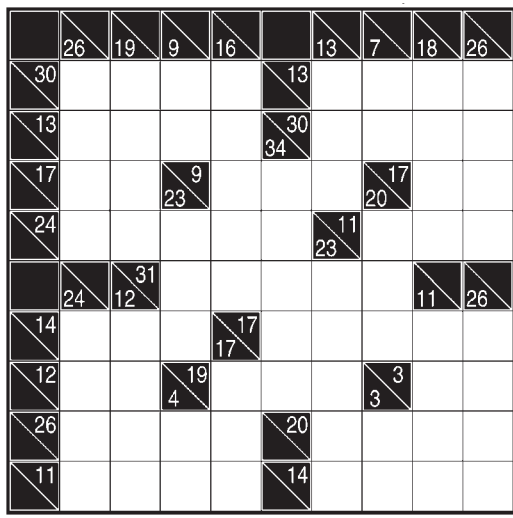
The defense started with a heart to the ace and a heart to declarer's king. (Yes, East should have

switched to a club.) South cashed his spade ace, played a spade to dummy's queen, ruffed the heart jack in hand, took his diamond ace, led a diamond to dummy's king and continued with another diamond.

East correctly deduced that if South held the diamond jack, he would have played a diamond to the king and a diamond toward his hand, planning to take the finesse. So as not to kill his partner's immortal diamond jack, East discarded the club four.

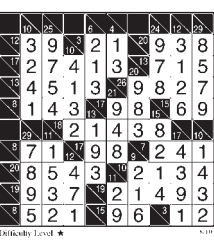
Now, though, West was endplayed. If he opened up clubs, South would score his king. If West returned a heart, declarer would ruff with dummy's spade queen and sluff a

KAKURO



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How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.



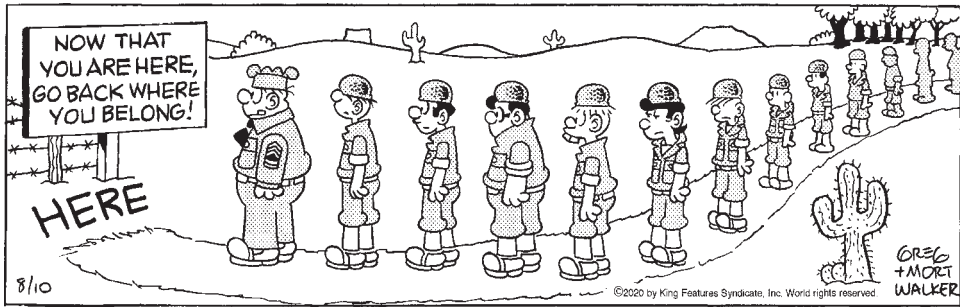
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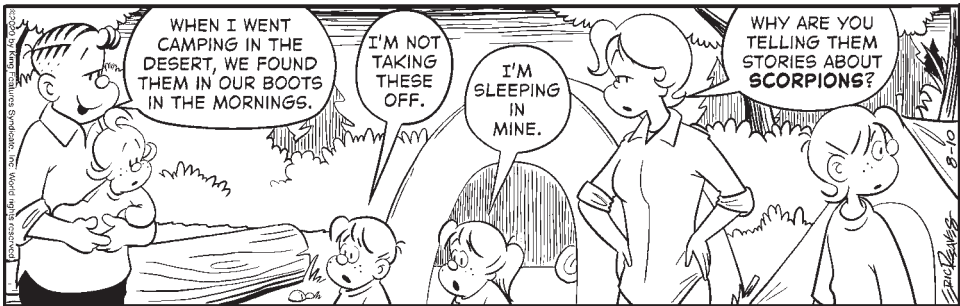
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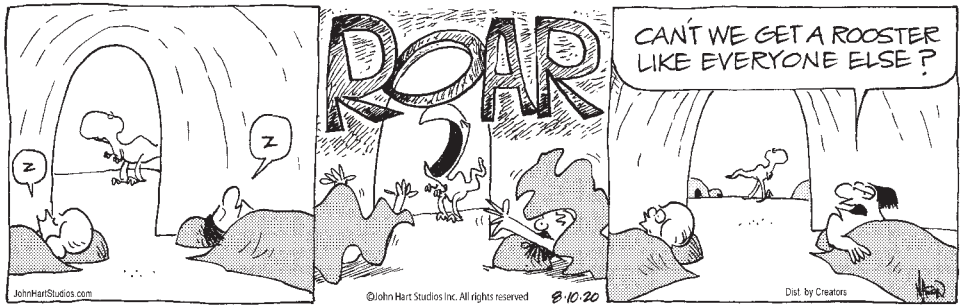
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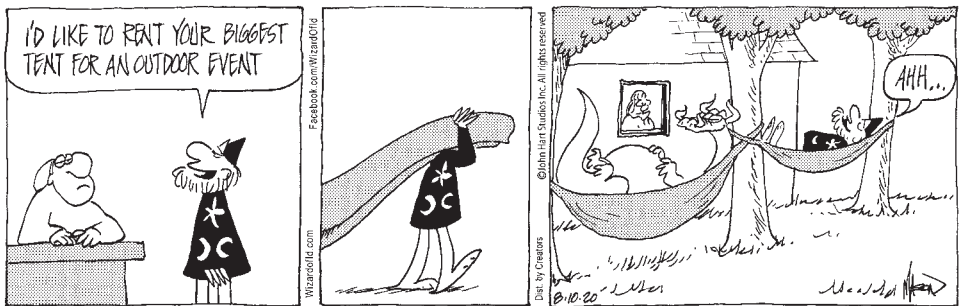
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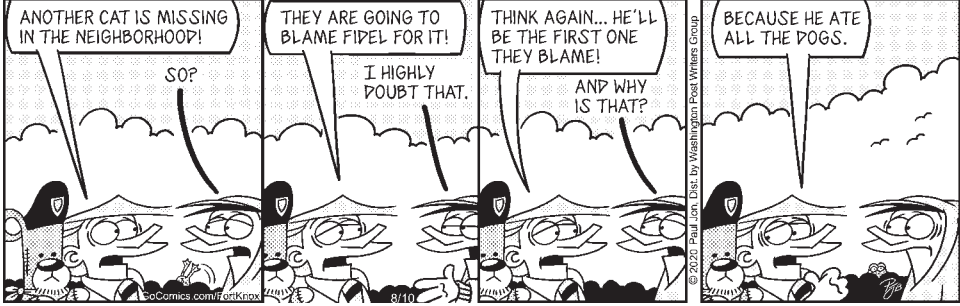
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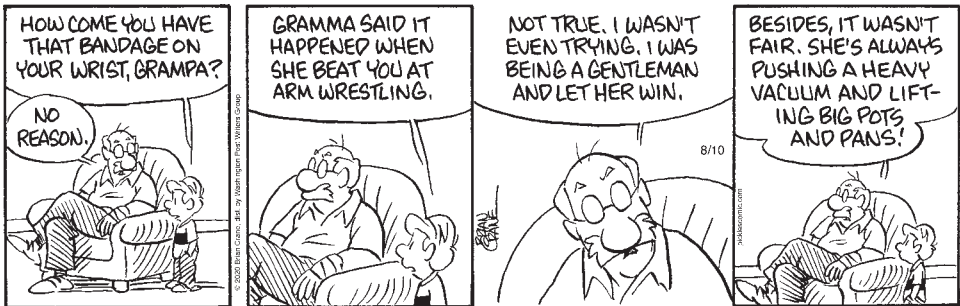
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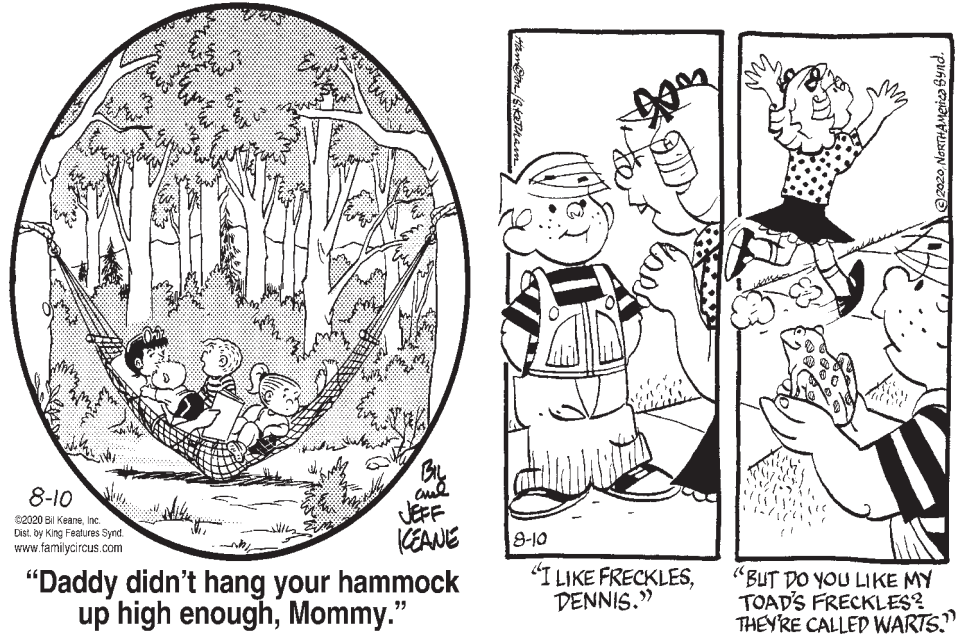


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THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

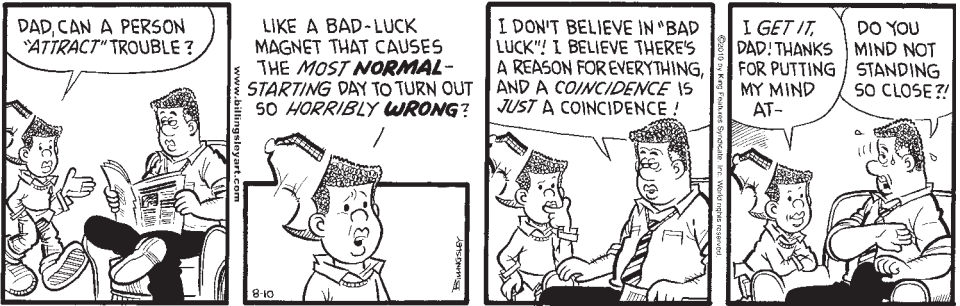
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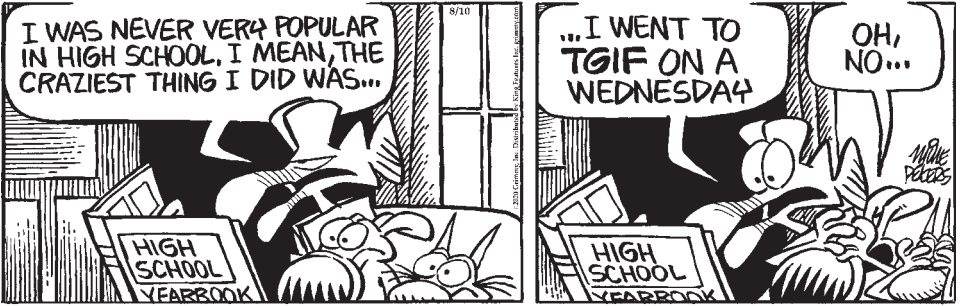
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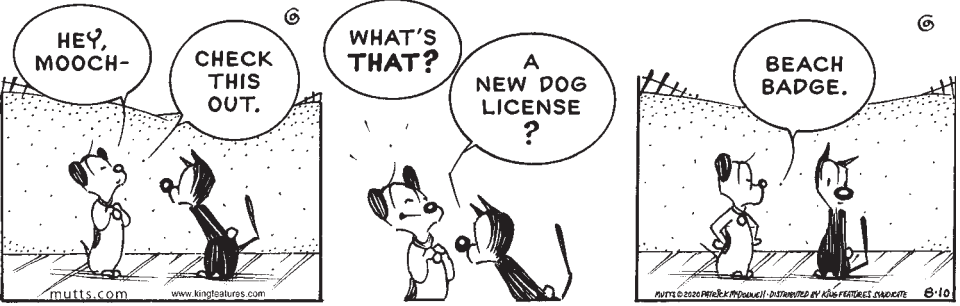
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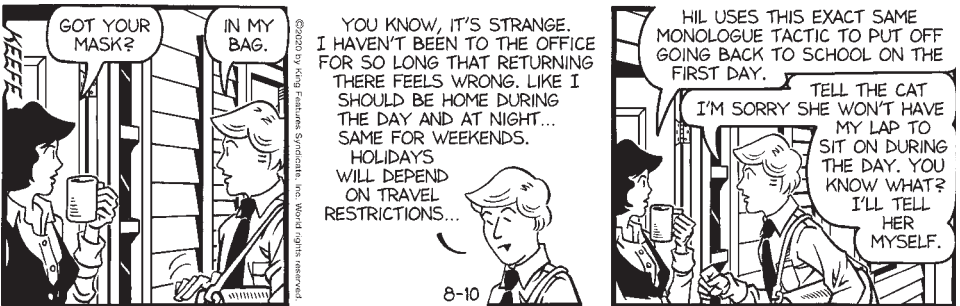
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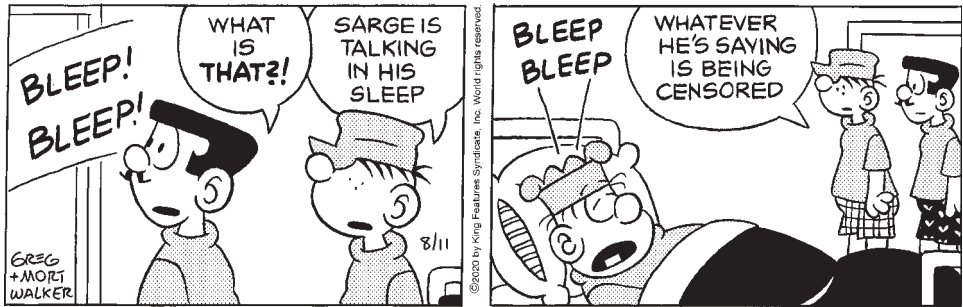
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The Bill & Ted duo is back with some words of wisdom: 'Be excellent to each other!'

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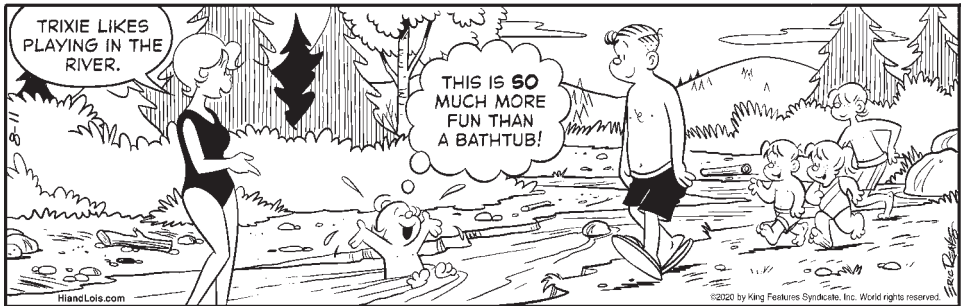
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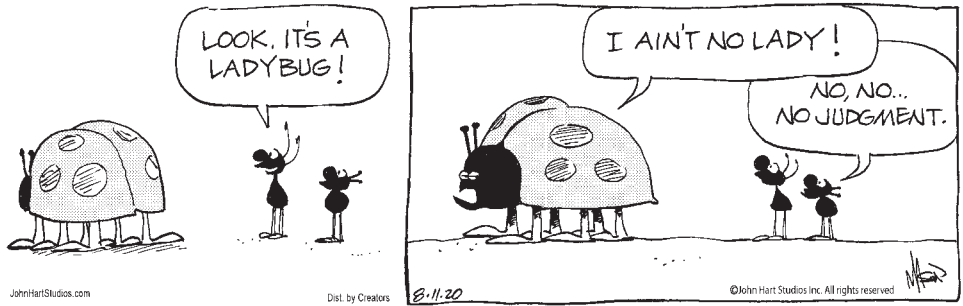
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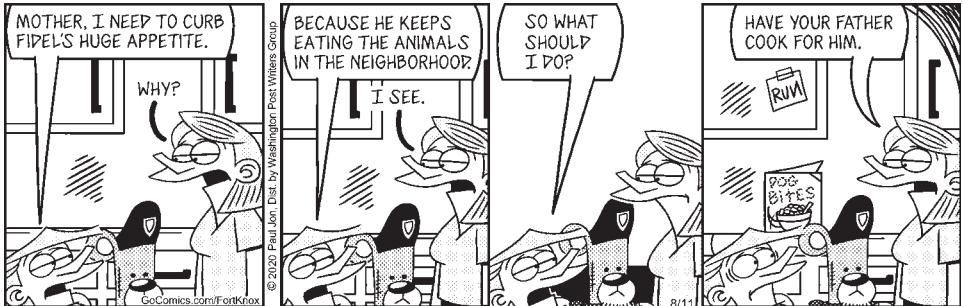
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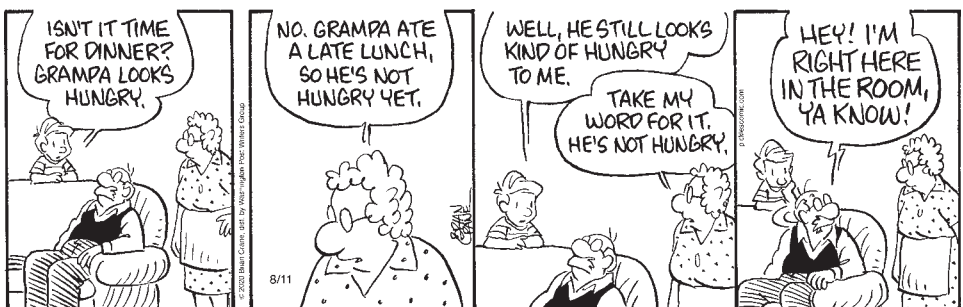
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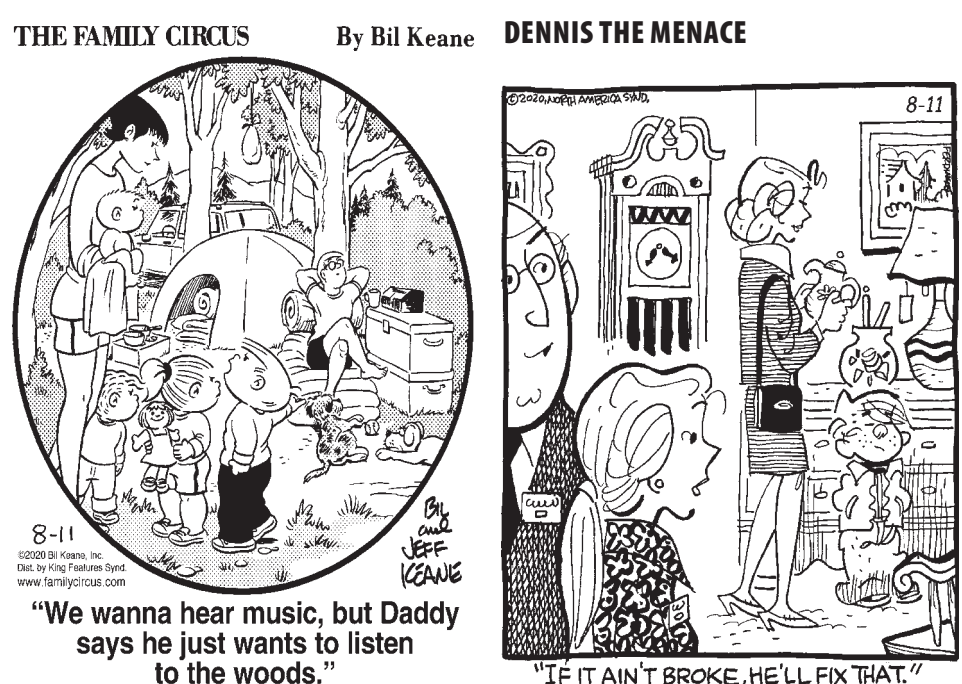
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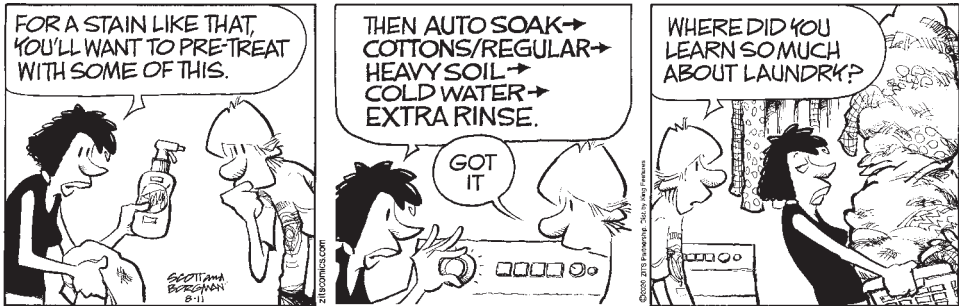
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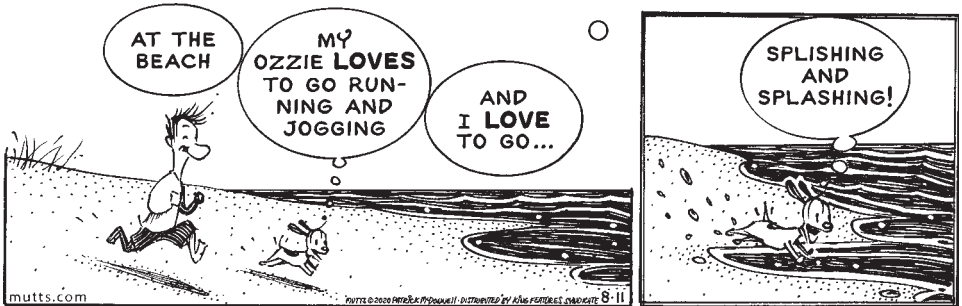
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OBITUARIES

Norman Louis Shuler

March 3, 1927 – Aug. 7, 2020

Norman Louis Shuler, 93, of Niles passed away Friday, Aug. 7, 2020.

Norman was born March 3, 1927, in Berrien Spring to Henry and Dorothy (Pullen) Shuler. On Feb. 3, 1962, he married Janet Nelson in Buchanan.

He is survived by his wife, Janet Shuler; son, John (Tammy) Shuler; daughters, Gail (Dale) Matteson and Gwen Mckeen; brother, Charles Shuler; eight grandchildren, nine great-grand-



children and one great-great-grandchild.

Preceding him is death are his parents, Henry and Dorothy; first wife, Marilyn (Moss) Shuler; brothers, George and William; and granddaughter, Brooke Simon.

Cremation has taken place. Arrangements have been entrusted to Hoven Funeral Home in Buchanan.

Online condolences can be made at www.hovenfunerals.com.

Bertha (Bea) Luttrell

Bertha (Bea) Luttrell, 88, went to be with the Lord on the July 12, 2020, after a long battle with Alzheimer's.

Bea was born and raised in Arkansas.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bennie; her sons: Gary and Joseph; daughter, Kathy Tinkham; two grandchildren: Jonathon and Sarah, Luttrell; and a sister, Fay Sliter.

She is survived by her sons: Bennie (David), Jerry, and James (Dot) Luttrell; sister, Pat

(Oscar) Heritz; eight grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-grandchild.

Bea, retired from LECO Corp., and was a member of New Life Baptist Church, St. Joseph.

Services were held in Inverness, Fla., where she resided. Bea loved her family, friends, and strangers, and was the best cook ever. Her loss will be felt by many. She be interned at North Shore Memorial Gardens next to her husband.



Raymond Lee Yates

Dec. 1, 1948 – Aug. 3, 2020

Raymond Lee Yates, 71, of Niles passed away Monday, Aug. 3, 2020, at Ascension Borgess Hospital, Kalamazoo.

Raymond was born Dec. 1, 1948, in Watervliet, the son of Clarence and Nellie (Skaggs) Yates, both of whom precede him in passing. Also preceding him in passing are two brothers: Lloyd Francis Yates and Clarence Yates; and four sisters: Betty Woods, Sylvia Bond, Nancy Yates and Florence Berends.

Raymond served his country honorably in the U. S. Army during the Vietnam War. During his working days, Raymond served as a police officer in Gary, Okla.,

in construction in Michigan, and as a bartender at The Main. In his spare time, he loved to hunt and go fishing.

Raymond is survived by his wife, Sherry (Richardson) Yates; a daughter, Shelly Robin Yates; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and a brother, Richard (Ann) Yates of Bangor.

As to Raymond's wishes, cremation has taken place and no public services will be held. The family has entrusted the Calvin Funeral Home, Hartford, with arrangements. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.calvin-leonardfh.com.

Vance A. Kimball

Aug. 10, 1940 – Aug. 7, 2020



Mr. Vance A. Kimball, 79, of St. Joseph passed away on Friday, Aug. 7, 2020, at his home. Arrangements have been entrusted to Starks and Menchinger Chapel.

A private memorial event will be held at a later date. Vance suffered from devastating rheumatoid arthritis most of his life. The family asks that any memorial gifts be made to the Arthritis Foundation (www.arthritis.org) in his name. Those wishing to send a condolence online may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Vance was born Aug. 10, 1940, to Worth and Ruth (Sassaman) Kimball of Benton Harbor. He graduated from Benton Harbor High School in 1958.

A skilled engineer and inventor, Vance retired from Whirlpool. He had a lifelong passion for cars, racing sports, antiques, weather, genealogy and photography. He loved visiting the American West, Alaska, and Mackinac Island. Vance enjoyed visiting with friends and family, and going to lunch with his pals. He loved his family and his family will miss him greatly.

Vance is survived by his children: Laura (George) Metz and Gary (Ann) Kimball; grandchildren: Aubrey Kimball and Austin Kimball; great-granddaughter, Isabella Lucker; and sister, Janice (Gerry) Shramek.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and infant daughter, Tracey Kimball.

JoAnne Marilyn (Austgen) Neal

June 6, 1930 – Aug. 6, 2020



JoAnne Marilyn Neal (née Austgen), 90, of Bridgman, (formally of Lansing, Ill.) peacefully passed away at Woodland Terrace Senior Living Community on Thursday, Aug. 6, 2020, after a short battle with cancer. Her loving children were at her side. JoAnne passed away exactly 18 years to the date of her beloved late husband, Melvin L. Neal.

Sometimes an angel, sometimes a hell-raiser, always a strong woman.

JoAnne was born June 6, 1930, to the late Kenneth and Othelia (née Keilman) Austgen of Hammond, Ind. She was raised in Calumet City, Ill., with her sister, Carol (Thurman) Ferree. She was united in marriage with Melvin L. Neal on Sept. 2, 1950. Together they raised two amazing children in Lansing, Ill.

JoAnne is survived by her two loving children:

Pam (Mel) Pfeffer and John (Tracy) Blazak-Neal; three beautiful granddaughters: Kristen (Elijah Eversole) Pfeffer, Rachel (Erik) Ewen, and Angela (Matt)Pfeffer-McWethy; six adored great-grandchildren: Lilly, William, Adison, Liam, Elliott and Sophia, and dear sister, Carol Ferree.

The family would like to thank the Woodland Terrace of Bridgman organization and offer special thanks to its caregivers for their compassion, friendship and skilled assistance, as well as Caring Circle Hospice for making JoAnne's final days comfortable and peaceful.

Per her request, cremation has taken place and JoAnne will be interned next to her loving husband, Melvin, at Chapel Lawn Memorial Gardens, Schererville, Ind. A celebration of life will occur at a later date, TBD.

Death notices

Richard Elmer Callendar, 83, of Watervliet: died Aug. 9, 2020 at his residence. Purely Cremations – Starks Family Funeral Homes and Cremation Services, Benton Harbor, 926-9440.

John R. Clem, 65, of Sodus Township: died Aug. 8, 2020, at home. Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service, Benton Harbor, 926-7222

Carolyn Geik, 82, of Niles: died Aug. 9, 2020, at her home. Brown Funeral Home, Niles, 683-1155.

Emily Griffin, 89: died Aug. 8, 2020, in Romeo, Mich. Henry M. Malburg Funeral Home, Romeo, Mich., 580-752-2000.

Karla Renee Gustafson, 48, of St. Joseph: died Aug. 9, 2020 at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Purely Cremations – Starks Family Funeral Homes and Cremation Services, Benton Harbor, 926-9440.

Phyllis Jean (Fuller) Johnson, 92, of St. Joseph (formerly of Stevensville): died Aug. 9, 2020, at Caretel Inns of St. Joseph. Starks and Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Mr. Vance A. Kimball, 79, of St. Joseph: died Aug. 7, 2020, at his home. Starks and Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

James Melbourne Ray, 78, of Bridgman: died Aug. 7, 2020 at Hanson Hospice Center, Stevensville. Purely

Cremations – Starks Family Funeral Homes and Cremation Services, Benton Harbor, 926-9440.

Helen Moore, 66, of Benton Harbor: died Aug. 2, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181.

Opal Napier, 86, of Benton Harbor: died Aug. 8, 2020, at home surrounded by family. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181

JoAnne Marilyn Neal (née Austgen), 90, of Bridgman, (formally of Lansing, Ill.): died Aug. 6, 2020 at Woodland Terrace Senior Living Community. Purely Cremations – Starks Family Funeral Homes and Cremation Services, Benton Harbor, 926-9440.

Patrick Kevin Russell, 59, of Niles: died Aug. 6, 2020. Purely Cremations – Starks Family Funeral Homes and Cremation Services, Benton Harbor, 926-9440.

Norman Louis Shuler, 93, of Niles: died Aug. 7, 2020. Hoven Funeral Home, Buchanan, 695-2363.

Purgeon Wiggins Jr., 90, of Cassopolis: died Aug. 9, 2020, at his home. Brown Funeral Home, Niles.683-1155.

Raymond Lee Yates, 71, of Niles: died Aug. 3, 2020, at Ascension Borgess Hospital, Kalamazoo. Calvin Funeral Home, Hartford, 621-4101.

Phyllis Jean (Fuller) Johnson

Feb. 11, 1928 – Aug 9, 2020

Phyllis Jean (Fuller) Johnson, 92, of St. Joseph (formerly of Stevensville) passed away peacefully on Aug. 9, 2020, at Caretel Inns of St. Joseph.

A celebration of life graveside service will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 17, at Lincoln Township Cemetery, 5055 St. Joseph Ave., with Pastor Jim Morgan officiating. Out of respect for the family and guests attending, please wear your mask and follow the proper social distancing guidelines. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to BCF-Lakeshore Rotary Foundation, P.O. Box 25, Stevensville, MI 49127; or Caring Circle of Lakeland, 4025 Health Park Lane, St. Joseph, MI 49085. Those wishing to leave an online condolence may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Phyllis was born Feb. 11, 1928, in Benton Harbor to the late William and Helen (Mead) Fuller. She graduated from Benton Harbor High School. She married her late husband, R. James "Jim" Johnson on Aug. 29, 1953. The two were happily married for 18 years before Jim passed



away in 1971. Phyllis and Jim enjoyed spending time with their friends going canoeing and skiing. They also loved to go up to Thunder Lake in Fountain, Mich.,

where they had a cottage and would never head home before they were able to stop at The Tavern for a delicious burger. After Jim's death, Phyllis worked for Great Lake Building Service until she retired at the age of 80. She was a proud member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Baroda. Phyllis also liked to attend musicals and plays with her friends. She was a wonderful wife, mother, and grandmother and will be missed dearly by all who knew her.

Phyllis is survived by her daughters: Sharon (Joseph) Vargo of Benton Harbor and Barbara (Kenneth) Mach of St. Joseph; and her very special grandson, Steven Mach and his fiancé, Harley Statler.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her husband, Jim; parents: William and Helen Fuller; sister and brother-in-law: Eleanor and Allen Umphrey; and nephew, William Umphrey.

Getting it straight

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Money offered for information on former ‘Tiger King’ star husband

By **TAMARA LUSH**
Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — The family of a Florida man who disappeared in 1997 and who appeared on the hit TV series “Tiger King,” has hired a lawyer and is offering \$100,000 in exchange for information to help solve the case.

Attorney John Phillips held a news conference in Tampa Monday and announced an independent investigation into Don Lewis’ disappearance. He also said that on behalf of the Lewis family, he’s filed a lawsuit against Lewis’ second wife Carole Baskin in an attempt to depose her and get her to speak on the record. He and the family have also paid for Tampa-area billboards asking for information in the case.

Lewis vanished a day before a scheduled trip to Costa Rica and was never found. He was declared legally dead in 2002. He and

Baskin started the animal sanctuary, which later became Big Cat Rescue Corp. in Tampa, Florida.

Three of Lewis’ daughters were at the news conference. Lewis’ youngest daughter Gale Rathbone, expressed gratitude for those interested in the case. “Amazingly, our little family tragedy has become your tragedy. Our search for closure and truth has become your mission also,” she said. “We all know by now that (Lewis) was not a perfect man. But do only the perfect among us deserve justice?”

In an email sent to the Associated Press Monday, Baskin said she wouldn’t comment. “It’s been my policy not to discuss pending litigation until it’s been resolved,” she wrote. “I had told some news outlets that I thought the press conference on Aug. 10 was just a publicity stunt, but at that time was not aware there would be

pending litigation.”

Lewis’ case, and Baskin, were featured in Tiger King. Baskin is still the owner of Big Cat Rescue, and lobbies for abolishing private wildlife ownership.

Tiger King was a documentary series about Joseph Maldonado-Passage, also known as “Joe Exotic,” an eccentric former Oklahoma zookeeper who loves big cats.

Earlier this year, Maldonado-Passage was sentenced to 22 years in prison for his role in a murder-for-hire plot. He was convicted of trying to hire someone to kill Baskin, who had tried to shut him down, accusing the Oklahoma zoo of abusing animals and selling big cat cubs.

In retaliation, Maldonado-Passage raised questions about Baskin’s former husband, Jack “Don” Lewis. The documentary extensively covered Maldonado-Passage’s repeat-

ed accusations that Baskin killed her husband and possibly fed him to her tigers. Baskin hasn’t been charged with any crime and has repeatedly released statements refuting the accusations made in the series.

Maldonado-Passage is currently in prison. A federal judge in June granted control of the Oklahoma zoo that was previously run by Maldonado-Passage – also known as Joe Exotic – to Big Cat Rescue Corp.

Baskin previously sued Maldonado-Passage for trademark and copyright infringements and won a \$1 million civil judgment against him. The judge found that ownership of the zoo was fraudulently transferred to Maldonado-Passage’s mother in an attempt to avoid paying the judgment.

In March, the Hillsborough County sheriff asked for tips in the case of Lewis and announced a reopening of Lewis’ case.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Tuesday, Aug. 11, the 224th day of 2020. There are 142 days left in the year.
Highlight in history:
On August 11, 1997, President Bill Clinton made the first use of the historic line-item veto, rejecting three items in spending and tax bills. (However, the U.S. Supreme Court later struck down the veto as unconstitutional.)
On this date:
In 1934, the first federal prisoners arrived at Alcatraz Island (a former military prison) in San Francisco Bay.
In 1949, President Harry S. Truman nominated General Omar N. Bradley to become the first chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
In 1952, Hussein bin Talal was proclaimed King of Jordan, beginning a reign lasting nearly 47 years.
In 1960, the African country of Chad became independent of France.
In 1964, the Beatles movie “A Hard Day’s Night” had its U.S. premiere in New York.
In 1965, rioting and looting that claimed 34 lives broke out in the predominantly Black Watts section of Los Angeles.
In 1991, Shiite Muslim kidnappers in Lebanon released two Western captives: Edward Tracy, an American held nearly five years, and Jerome Leyraud, a Frenchman who’d been abducted by a rival group three days earlier.
In 1992, the Mall of America, the nation’s largest shopping-entertainment center, opened in Bloomington, Minnesota.
In 1993, President Bill Clinton named Army Gen. John Shalikashvili to be the new chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, suc-

ceeding the retiring Gen. Colin Powell.
In 2012, Republican presidential contender Mitt Romney announced his choice of Rep. Paul Ryan of Wisconsin to be his running mate. Usain Bolt capped his perfect London Olympics by leading Jamaica to victory in a world-record 36.84 seconds in the 4x100 meters.
In 2017, a federal judge ordered Charlottesville, Virginia, to allow a weekend rally of white nationalists and other extremists to take place at its originally planned location downtown. (Violence erupted at the rally, and a woman was killed when a man plowed his car into a group of counterprotesters.)
In 2014, Academy Award-winning actor and comedian Robin Williams, 63, died in Tiburon, California, a suicide.
Ten years ago: In Baton Rouge, Louisiana, police and FBI agents captured Michael Francis Mara, suspected of being the so-called “Granddad Bandit” who’d held up two dozen banks in 13 states for about two years. (Mara later pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 25 years in prison.) Dan Rostenkowski, a former Illinois congressman who’d wielded enormous power on Capitol Hill for more than 30 years, died at his Wisconsin summer home at age 82.
Five years ago: Federal authorities charged that an international web of hackers and traders had made \$100 million on Wall Street by stealing a look at corporate press releases before they went out and then trading on that information ahead of the pack. China rattled global financial markets by devaluing its currency in an effort in part to revive economic growth.

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					
Few Showers	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Isolated T-storms	Isolated T-storms
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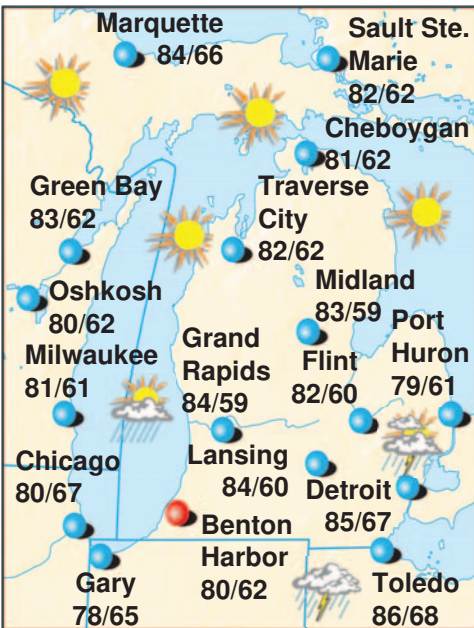
Local Outlook

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a 60% chance of showers, high temperature of 80°, humidity of 60%. Northwest wind 5 to 9 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 62°. Southeast wind 1 to 8 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise	6:49 a.m.
Sunset	8:51 p.m.
Moonrise	12:27 a.m.
Moonset	2:32 p.m.
	Last 8/11
	New 8/18
	First 8/25
	Full 9/2

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday	
Temperature	
High	88°
Low	72°
Normal High	81°
Normal Low	61°
Record High	91° in 2016
Record Low	53° in 2008
Precipitation	
Yesterday	0.03"
Month to date	1.32"
Normal for month	1.32"
Year to date	25.77"
Normal Year to date	22.55"

Air Quality

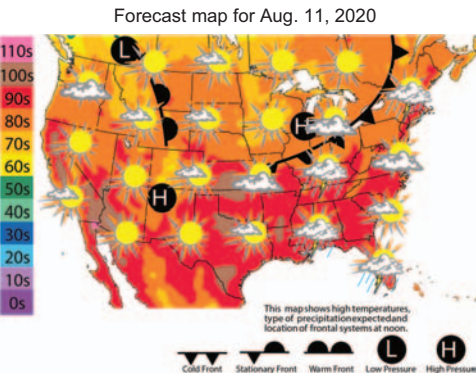
Yesterday	60
Main Offender	Particles
The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.	
0-50	Good
51-100	Moderate
101-150	Sensitive
151-200	Unhealthy

Weather Trivia

What state leads the nation in tornado touchdowns?

Answer: Florida

National Weather Map



Lake Michigan

Today, N wind around 9 kt. A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Waves around 2 ft. Water temperature 72 degrees. Tonight, N wind 5 to 7 kt. Partly cloudy. Waves 1 to 2 ft.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be sunny with highs in the 80s. West wind 3 to 10 mph. Expect sunny skies Wednesday with highs in the 80s. West southwest wind 8 mph.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms, highs in the 70s and 80s. Northwest wind 5 to 9 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies Wednesday with highs in the 80s. East northeast wind 1 to 5 mph.

OUTDOOR

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in classrooms after they are expelled in an infected person’s breath, sneeze or cough.
“Most schools are designed for comfort, not for infection control. So there is a danger that if you put 20 kids in a room, that if one of them has asymptomatic COVID and is infectious, you now have 19 more kids who are exposed,” Nardell said. Healthy children almost always recover from COVID, if they become ill at all, but they can pass the disease to teachers, parents and other adults.
Nardell believes schools should consider installing ultraviolet lights along classroom ceilings, a technology some used in the 1950s and earlier to combat measles, tuberculosis and other airborne diseases and that is still used in hospitals and homeless shelters. Viruses and bacteria are destroyed using a spectrum of UV light that is safe for humans. Manufacturers say the devices would cost \$3,000 per classroom.
Some, including Education Secretary Betsy DeVos, say one solution to air circulation problems may be teaching classes outdoors, which was done during tuberculosis and influenza outbreaks in the early 1900s, even in cold weather. The coronavirus spreads

less efficiently outdoors and students could more easily sit 6 feet (2 meters) apart.
Having classes outdoors has other benefits, said Sharon Danks, CEO of Green Schoolyards America, a Berkeley, California, nonprofit that advocates for outdoor education. Children actually are less distracted and feel better emotionally when taught outdoors, she said.
“Nature has been shown to restore the ability to pay attention,” she said.
Several schools in the Northeast have bought large event tents like those used at outdoor weddings and plan to use them to teach outside through November.
The White River Valley Middle School in Bethel, Vermont, spent \$50,000 on tents and another \$20,000 on port-a-potties, hand-washing stations and other equipment. While some schools have equipped tents with propane heaters, White River Valley Principal Owen Bradley said his students can handle the expected November daytime temperatures in the 30s without them.
Bradley said one upside will be an opportunity to help students better understand and appreciate nature. “We hope they value it forever and help us save the planet,” he said.
Schools bringing students back this fall will require or at least strongly suggest masks, but officials say they

can only be so effective during six-hour school days indoors. Air circulation is needed.
Stephen Murley, the school superintendent in Green Bay, Wisconsin, said most of his district’s 42 campuses have older air systems. When there is high humidity, they are set to recirculate drier indoor air to prevent unhealthy black mold from growing on the walls – but battling the coronavirus requires fresh air.
“We have two things working at odds with each other,” Murley said.
Janet Robinson, the superintendent in Stratford, Connecticut, said some of her district’s 13 schools were built between 80 and 100 years ago and aren’t capable of handling modern air systems – “they are a challenge.” There are also crowding issues – one has classrooms built for 15 students but that typically have 25, making social distancing impossible.
“It is kind of naive for politicians and whoever to say, ‘Just bring (the students) in and keep them at 6 feet distance,’” she said.
Brian Toth, superintendent of the Saint Marys Area School District in northern Pennsylvania, said his district’s five schools’ air systems have no exit vents to circulate fresh air in and the virus out. He estimates it would cost at least \$600,000 per school to replace the systems. When his schools

reopen Aug. 31, students will be asked to wear masks, but Pennsylvania law exempts children whose parents claim they have a physical or mental condition.
“You look at the way schools were built, nobody expected to have a classroom with a 6-foot radius around a student,” Toth said. Instead, classrooms “pack them in like sardines and now we are facing the consequences.”



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An open-air school during rest period in Rochester, N.Y., in 1912.

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